

March 26, 2004

Dear Affected Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties:

Enclosed is the Final Environmental Impact Statement (Final EIS) for the *Greenbridge Redevelopment Master Plan (Park Lake Homes)*. The public comment period associated with the Draft EIS was November 21, 2003 through January 5, 2003. A public open house meeting was held on December 17, 2003 to provide further opportunity for public comments concerning the Draft EIS.

The Proposed Master Plan (Greenbridge) includes redevelopment and revitalization of the existing Park Lake Homes public housing community. The proposal would provide 900 to 1,100 (maximum) residential housing units, which would include approximately 300 units to serve returning residents and households from the KCHA waiting list that have the same economic profile. The proposal also includes 80,000 to 100,000 square feet of community-oriented uses, which may include a branch library, community center, youth and family facilities, Head Start and child care facility, Sheriff's office, food bank, career development center, meeting/gathering space, and approximately 22,300 square feet of neighborhood-scale retail uses. The proposal includes demolition of most or all existing buildings on-site, and demolition, abandonment or replacement of existing infrastructure including streets, water lines, sanitary sewers, storm drainage and other utilities. Redevelopment would require vacation of existing public rights-of-way and public roadway easements associated with the existing streets and alleys and re-platting of the entire project site. It is anticipated that redevelopment would occur in three stages commencing in 2004. All stages would be completed by 2012. Redevelopment would involve staged relocation of all tenants.

The Draft EIS evaluated the direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts of the proposal and alternatives, as well as construction-related impacts. The environmental elements analyzed in the Draft EIS were determined as a result of a formal, public EIS scoping process that occurred February 5, 2003 through March 7, 2003. Following issuance of appropriate SEPA and NEPA required notices, a public EIS scoping meeting was held within the community on February 26, 2003 to provide an opportunity for public comment. Written comments were also requested and considered by the King County Housing Authority and King County Department of Development and Environmental Services in determining the issues and alternatives to be analyzed in the Draft EIS. See section IV of this Final EIS for written comments on the Draft EIS and responses to those comments.

The following broad areas of environmental issues were evaluated in the Draft EIS:

Earth	Air Quality	Water Resources
Plants and Animals	Fish Resources	Energy Use
Noise	Environmental Health	Land Use and Socioeconomics (Population, Housing, Employment)
Environmental Justice	Historic and Cultural Resources	Aesthetics, Light and Glare
Parks and Recreation	Public Services and Utilities	Transportation and Parking

The Draft and Final EIS has been distributed to agencies and organizations noted on the *Distribution List*, and parties of record. This Final EIS can be reviewed at the King County Housing Authority's office (600 Andover Park W, Tukwila) Monday through Friday 8 AM to 4:30 PM; at the Park Lake Homes HOPE VI office (206.574.1107); at the King County Department of Development and Environmental Services office (900 Oakesdale Avenue SW, Renton), and at the following public libraries:

Boulevard Park Library: 12015 Roseberg Avenue S

Burien Public Library: 14700 Sixth SW

Foster Public Library: 7614 South 126th

White Center Public Library: 11220 16th SW

King County Library System, Documents Branch: 690 Newport Way NW, Issaquah

Seattle Public Library Central Library: 800 Pike Street

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Seattle Public Library Southwest Branch: 9010 35th Avenue SW

Seattle Public Library West Seattle Branch: 2306 42nd Avenue SW

Hardcopies and CD copies of this Final EIS may also be purchased at King County Housing Authority's office for the cost of reproduction. Please contact **Oksana Winstead** at the King County Housing Authority (206.574.1197) to make arrangements to review or obtain a copy. This Final EIS is also available on the Internet and can be viewed or downloaded at: <http://www.metrokc.gov/ddes/lusd/gb>

Thank you for your continued interest in the *Park Lake Homes Redevelopment Master Plan*.

This Environmental Impact Statement has been prepared in compliance with the:

- State Environmental Policy Act of 1971,¹ the SEPA Rules,² and rules adopted by King County Housing Authority to implement SEPA; and
- National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA),³ and rules adopted by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to implement NEPA.⁴

¹ Chapter 43.21C, Revised Code of Washington

² Chapter 197-11, Washington Administrative Code

³ 42 U.S.C. 4322(2)(c)

⁴ U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development (refer to the *References* section of this Final EIS for the complete citation).